

MINUTES
UTAH
SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELORS
BOARD MEETING

July 25, 2007

Room 475 – 4th Floor – 9:00 A.M.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

CONVENED: 8:37 A.M.

ADJOURNED: 9:15 A.M.

Bureau Manager:
Board Secretary:

Noel Taxin
Karen McCall

Board Members Present:

Shawn M. McMillen, Chairperson
Stephen R. Sheppard, Ph.D.
Linda Cornaby
Kelly J. Lundberg, Ph.D.
Ronald Wilkey
Patrick J. Fleming

Guests:

David Felt
Santiago Cortez
Gloria Boberg, LSAC, CAC, President of AUSAP
Jeremy Boberg, LSAC, President Elect of AUSAP

DOPL Staff Present:

David Stanley, Division Director

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

MINUTES:

The minutes from the May 2, 2007 meeting were read.

Dr. Lundberg made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Dr. Millard seconded the motion. **The Board vote was unanimous.**

The minutes from the June 13, 2007 meeting were read.

Dr. Lundberg made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Dr. Millard seconded the motion. **The Board vote was unanimous.**

The minutes from the July 3, 2007 meeting were read.

Dr. Lundberg made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Dr. Millard seconded the motion. **The Board vote was unanimous.**

APPOINTMENTS:

8:45 A.M.

Proposed Rules Review

Ms. Taxin stated that she made the changes to the Rules as requested at the previous Board meeting. She stated that she still has concerns regarding the discrepancies between sections of the Laws and the Rules.

Mr. Felt commented that the general supervision was not changed and saw no other areas that concerned him.

Ms. Taxin explained to Mr. Stanley that the Board tried to incorporate the recommended supervision into the proposed Rules.

Ms. Taxin referred the Board to 58-60-502 under definitions and stated that the Law cannot be changed right now.

Ms. Taxin referred the Board to the Rules, R156-60d-601. Scope of Practice, for review. She stated that the Law only refers to the Licensed Substance Abuse Counselor and the Scope of Practice should be for all levels of licensure.

Dr. Lundberg recommended the section read: The scope of practice of a licensed substance abuse counselor, certified substance abuse counselor, certified substance abuse counselor intern and certified substance abuse counselor extern as used in Subsection 58-60-502(7) includes 7a and 7b and the duties of the supervisor of a licensed substance abuse counselor as used in Section 58-60-508 are further defined and clarified as follows. She stated that this would include all levels of Substance Abuse Counselors that are licensed.

Board members and guests agreed.

Mr. Felt commented that R156-60d-601(2) has the wording prescribe treatment and it has been changed to develop treatment plans.

Ms. Taxin explained that the wording of prescribe treatment is not used in the Law.

Board members and guests agreed with the change.

Ms. Taxin referred the Board to R156-60d-302d, (1)(c). She stated that this is referring to the number of hours of supervision required for a specified number of hours worked.

Mr. Cortez explained that this area is not for the LSAC but for the Intern and the Extern.

The Board recommended experience be clarified as 1 hour for every 40 hours worked.

Ms. Taxin and guests agreed with the change.

Ms. Taxin requested the Board and guests to review the proposed changes again and call her by Friday, August 3, 2007, to confirm that they agree with the proposed changes or there are additional changes that need to be reviewed.

Dr. Lundberg made a motion to approve the proposed Rules as amended today and schedule a Rules hearing unless additional changes are recommended on Friday, August 3, 2007.

Dr. Millard seconded the motion.

The Board vote was unanimous.

Ms. Taxin explained that she will make the revisions and submit the document to the attorneys to review. She stated that she will try to schedule the Rules Hearing for the November Board meeting.

Ms. Taxin stated that the application will need to be changed to include the additional levels of licensure.

She stated that she will start working on it and send it out for Board members to review.

Mr. Stanley stated that he will need to have the recommendation of the supervision definition before the November meeting.

Ms. Taxin responded that Direct Supervision will need to be better clarified after the Law has been corrected as one area in the new Law was changed but another area was not. She stated that the proposed definition for supervision has been included in the proposed Rules.

Ms. Taxin recommended the Board meet again August 14 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm to review the new application and to finalize direct and general supervision in the Rules.

Board members agreed.

A meeting will be scheduled for August 14, 2007 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Chairperson

Dr. Millard made a motion for Shawn McMillen to continue as Board chairperson. Dr. Sheppard seconded the motion. **The Board vote was unanimous.**

Substance Abuse Applicant Letter

Ms. Taxin read a letter from Rafael Flores which notifies the Board that he is in the process of completing the requirements for licensure.

Board members commented that the letter sounds like Mr. Flores will need to apply for the Extern license. The board stated that the new Law requires the education to be completed then the experience to be completed before the examination is taken. The Board recommended that these applications should be reviewed on a case by case basis.

Ms. Taxin responded that she will work with these potential applicants on a case by case basis until about

January 1, 2008. She stated that in the case of Mr. Flores, if he has completed everything but the examination he should take the examination and then apply for the Intern license.

Board members agreed.

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR:

August 15, 2007

ADJOURN:

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Cornaby. Mr. Wilkey seconded the motion. **The Board vote was unanimous.**

The time is 9:15 am and the meeting is adjourned.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

August 15, 2007
Date Approved

(ss) Shawn M. McMillen
Chairperson, Utah Substance Abuse Counselors
Licensing Board

July 14, 2007
Date Approved

(ss) Noel Taxin
Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational &
Professional Licensing